# PASSION SUNDAY

# CHORAL EVENSONG WITH SERMON IN MUSIC

**26TH MARCH 2023, 5:30PM**

ST BRIDE'S CHURCH

# OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED

For the Diocese of Ruwenzori in Uganda, and for Bishop Reuben Kisembo.

For the parish of St Bartholomew, Stamford Hill, for Vicar, Area Dean of Ordinands and Deanery Major Incident Co-Ordinator Canon Charles Card-Reynolds, and for Lay Minister Evelyn Nero.

For all those working in the world of journalism who put their lives and liberty at risk on a daily basis in order to bring us the news, and particularly at this time for journalists arrested in Iran.

For the peoples of Ukraine and Russia. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them.

For the repose of the soul of Jean Hext, who died recently.

For the repose of the souls of Fleur McKitterick, Kerem Lawton, Jeremy March, John Petty, and Natasha Bateman, the anniversaries of whose deaths fall this week.

**For those in particular need of our prayers:**

Eric Davies
Lesley Davies
Muriel Bellingham
Christine Smith
Hannah Sharma
Amanda Barnard
Charles Marsden
Emmanuel Adeniji
Penny Smith
Doreen Blythe
Lucy Morrow
David Wheeler
Janis Batchelor
Rob Searles
David Pooley
Sherie Gravell
Benjamin Hall
Christina Benn
Beatrice Jones
Marian Boulton
Mark Boulton
Heather Parker
Marah Dickson Wright
JoAnn Adinolfi
John Oates
Enid Alderson
Suzanne Greaves
Tish Dunn-Meynell
Irmgard Smith
Derek Turner

## Hymn

**O for a thousand tongues to sing**
**my dear Redeemer's praise,**
**the glories of my God and King,**
**the triumphs of his grace!**

**Jesus! the name that charms our fears,**
**that bids our sorrows cease;**
**'tis music in the sinner's ears,**
**'tis life, and health, and peace.**

**My gracious Master and my God,**
**assist me to proclaim**
**and spread through all the earth abroad**
**the honours of thy name.**

Tune: Richmond by T Haweis 1734-1820
Harmony: S Webbe 1770–1843
Words: C Wesley 1707–88
Descant: A Gray 1855-1935

## Welcome

**Minister** Beloved, we are come together
in the presence of Almighty God
and of the whole company of heaven
to offer unto him, through our Lord Jesus Christ,
our worship and praise and thanksgiving;
to make confession of our sins,
to pray as well for others as for ourselves,
that we may know more truly
the greatness of God's love
and shew forth in our lives the fruits of his grace;
and to ask on behalf of all men
such things as their well being doth require.
Wherefore let us kneel now
and humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

## Confession

**All** **Almighty and most merciful Father,**
**we have erred, and strayed from thy ways**
**like lost sheep,**
**we have followed too much**
**the devices and desires of our own hearts,**
**we have offended against thy holy laws,**
**we have left undone those things**
**which we ought to have done,**
**and we have done those things**
**which we ought not to have done,**
**and there is no health in us:**
**but thou, O Lord,**
**have mercy upon us miserable offenders;**
**spare thou them, O God,**
**which confess their faults,**
**restore thou them that are penitent,**
**according to thy promises**
**declared unto mankind**
**in Christ Jesu our Lord:**
**and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,**
**that we may hereafter live a godly,**
**righteous, and sober life,**
**to the glory of thy holy name.**
**Amen.**

*The Minister delivers the Absolution*

May the Almighty and merciful Lord
grant unto you pardon
and remission of all your sins,
time for amendment of life,
and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit.

**All** **Amen.**

**Preces**
Kenneth Leighton

Minister O Lord, open thou our lips,
Choir *and our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.*

Minister O God, make speed to save us,
Choir *O Lord, make haste to help us.*

Minister Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost;
Choir *as it was in the beginning, is now,*
*and ever shall be,*
*world without end. Amen.*

Minister Praise ye the Lord.
Choir *The Lord's name be praised.*

**Psalm 130**

Choir *1 Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord :*
*Lord, hear my voice.*

*2 O let thine ears consider well :*
*the voice of my complaint.*

*3 If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss:*
*O Lord, who may abide it?*

*4 For there is mercy with thee :*
*therefore shalt thou be feared.*

*5 I look for the Lord; my soul doth wait for him :*
*in his word is my trust.*

*6 My soul fleeth unto the Lord :*
*before the morning watch, I say, before the morning watch.*

*7 O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy :*
*and with him is plenteous redemption.*

*8 And he shall redeem Israel :*
*from all his sins.*

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son :*
*and to the Holy Ghost;*
*as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be :*
*world without end. Amen.*

Chant: James Turle 1802-82 after Henry Purcell 1659-95

**Old Testament Lesson**
**Lamentations 3: 19-33**
read by Jane Wilkinson

Remembering mine affliction and my misery, the wormwood and the gall. My soul hath them still in remembrance, and is humbled in me. This I recall to my mind, therefore have I hope.

It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness.

The Lord is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in him. The Lord is good unto them that wait for him, to the soul that seeketh him.

It is good that a man should both hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the Lord. It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth. He sitteth alone and keepeth silence, because he hath borne it upon him.

He putteth his mouth in the dust; if so be there may be hope. He giveth his cheek to him that smiteth him: he is filled full with reproach. For the Lord will not cast off for ever:

But though he cause grief, yet will he have compassion according to the multitude of his mercies. For he doth not afflict willingly nor grieve the children of men.

This is the word of the Lord.

**All** **Thanks be to God.**

**Magnificat**

*Second Evening Service in E flat* – Charles Wood

Choir

*My soul doth magnify the Lord:*
*and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.*
*For he hath regarded:*
*the lowliness of his hand-maiden.*
*For behold, from henceforth:*
*all generations shall call me blessed.*
*For he that is mighty hath magnified me:*
*and holy is his Name.*
*And his mercy is on them that fear him:*
*throughout all generations.*
*He hath showed strength with his arm:*
*he hath scattered the proud*
*in the imagination of their hearts.*
*He hath put down the mighty from their seat:*
*and hath exalted the humble and meek.*
*He hath filled the hungry with good things:*
*and the rich he hath sent empty away.*
*He remembering his mercy hath*
*holpen his servant Israel:*
*as he promised to our forefathers,*
*Abraham and his seed, for ever.*

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:*
*and to the Holy Ghost;*
*As it was in the beginning,*
*is now, and ever shall be:*
*world without end. Amen.*

**New Testament Lesson**
**Matthew 20: 17-end**
read by Anthony Mann

And Jesus going up to Jerusalem took the twelve disciples apart in the way, and said unto them, Behold, we go up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man shall be betrayed unto the chief priests and unto the scribes, and they shall condemn him to death, And shall deliver him to the Gentiles to mock, and to scourge, and to crucify him: and the third day he shall rise again.

Then came to him the mother of Zebedee's children with her sons, worshipping him, and desiring a certain thing of him. And he said unto her, What wilt thou? She saith unto him, Grant that these my two sons may sit, the one on thy right hand, and the other on the left, in thy kingdom.

But Jesus answered and said, Ye know not what ye ask. Are ye able to drink of the cup that I shall drink of, and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with? They say unto him, We are able. And he saith unto them, Ye shall drink indeed of my cup, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with: but to sit on my right hand, and on my left, is not mine to give, but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared of my Father.

And when the ten heard it, they were moved with indignation against the two brethren. But Jesus called them unto him, and said, Ye know that the princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them, and they that are great exercise authority upon them. But it shall not be so among you: but whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister; And whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant: Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

And as they departed from Jericho, a great multitude followed him.

And, behold, two blind men sitting by the way side, when they heard that Jesus passed by, cried out, saying, Have mercy on us, O Lord, thou son of David. And the multitude rebuked them, because they should hold their peace: but they cried the more, saying, Have mercy on us, O Lord, thou son of David.

And Jesus stood still, and called them, and said, What will ye that I shall do unto you? They say unto him, Lord, that our eyes may be opened. So Jesus had compassion on them, and touched their eyes: and immediately their eyes received sight, and they followed him.

This is the word of the Lord.

**All** **Thanks be to God.**

**Nunc Dimittis**

*Second Evening Service in E flat* – Charles Wood

Choir *Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace:*
*according to thy word.*
*For mine eyes have seen:*
*thy salvation;*
*Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;*
*To be a light to lighten the Gentiles:*
*and to be the glory of thy people Israel.*

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son;*
*and to the Holy Ghost :*
*As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,*
*world without end.*
*Amen.*

## Apostles' Creed

**All** **I believe in God the Father Almighty,**
**maker of heaven and earth:**
**and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,**
**who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,**
**born of the Virgin Mary,**
**suffered under Pontius Pilate,**
**was crucified, dead, and buried:**
**He descended into hell;**
**the third day he rose again from the dead;**
**He ascended into heaven,**
**and sitteth on the right hand**
**of God the Father Almighty;**
**from thence he shall come**
**to judge the quick and the dead.**
**I believe in the Holy Ghost;**
**the holy Catholic Church;**
**the Communion of Saints;**
**the forgiveness of sins;**
**the Resurrection of the body,**
**and the Life everlasting.**
**Amen.**

## Responses

Kenneth Leighton

Minister The Lord be with you,
Choir *and with thy spirit.*

Minister Let us pray.

Choir *Lord, have mercy upon us.*
*Christ, have mercy upon us.*
*Lord, have mercy upon us.*

Choir *Our Father, which art in heaven,*
*hallowed be thy Name,*
*Thy kingdom come,*
*Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven.*

*Give us this day our daily bread;*
*and forgive us our trespasses,*
*as we forgive them that trespass against us;*
*and lead us not into temptation,*
*but deliver us from evil.*
*Amen.*

Minister O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us,
Choir *and grant us thy salvation.*

Minister O Lord, save the King,
Choir *and mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.*

Minister Endue thy Ministers with righteousness,
Choir *and make thy chosen people joyful.*

Minister O Lord, save thy people,
Choir *and bless thine inheritance.*

Minister Give peace in our time, O Lord,
Choir *because there is none other that fighteth for us,*
*but only thou, O God.*

Minister O God, make clean our hearts within us,
Choir *and take not thy Holy Spirit from us.*

## Collects
### *The first, for the day*

Minister *Most merciful God,*
*who by the death and resurrection of thy son Jesus Christ*
*has delivered and saved the world,*
*grant that by faith in Him who suffered on the Cross*
*we may triumph in the power of His victory,*
*through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,*
*who liveth and reigneth with thee*
*in the unity of the Holy Spirit one God,*
*now and for ever.*
Choir *Amen.*

***The second, for Peace***

Minister O God, from whom all holy desires,
all good counsels, and all just works do proceed:
Give unto thy servants that peace
which the world cannot give;
that both our hearts may be set
to obey thy commandments,
and also that by thee we being defended
from the fear of our enemies
may pass our time in rest and quietness;
through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour.
Choir *Amen.*

***The third, for Aid against all Perils***

Minister Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord;
and by thy great mercy defend us
from all perils and dangers of this night;
for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ.
Choir *Amen.*

**Sermon in Music**
*Remember, O Lord, what is come upon us*
– Thomas Attwood Walmisley
(Please see page 17 for text and notes)

**Prayers of Intercession**
led by the Revd Dr Jeff Lake, *Associate Priest of St Bride's*

*This response may be used*

Lord, in thy mercy,
**All** **hear our prayer.**

And so we pray,
**All** **may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,**
**the love of God,**
**and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,**
**be with us now and evermore.**
**Amen.**

**Hymn**

**We sing the praise of him who died,**
**of him, who died upon the cross;**
**the sinner's hope let men deride,**
**for this we count the world but loss.**

**Inscribed upon the cross we see**
**in shining letters, 'God is love';**
**He bears our sins upon the tree;**
**He brings us mercy from above.**

**The cross! It takes our guilt away:**
**it holds the fainting spirit up;**
**it cheers with hope the gloomy day,**
**and sweetens every bitter cup.**

**It makes the coward spirit brave,**
**and nerves the feeble arm for fight;**
**it takes its terror from the grave,**
**and gilds the bed of death with light:**

**The balm of life, the cure of woe,**
**the measure and the pledge of love,**
**the sinner's refuge here below,**
**the angels' theme in heaven above.**

Tune: Bow Brickhill by S Nicholson 1875-1947
Words: T Kelly 1769-1854

## Blessing

Minister The peace of God, which passeth all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord:
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be amongst you and remain with you always.

Choir *Amen*.

## Organ Voluntary

*Psalm Prelude Set 2 No 1 "De Profundis"* – Herbert Howells

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*Remember, O Lord, what is come upon us*
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Thomas Attwood Walmisley (1814-1856) was Professor of Music at Cambridge and Organist of three colleges and Great St Mary's Church simultaneously. He was the Godson of Thomas Attwood, who was a pupil of Mozart, and his music shares the craftsmanship and melodiousness of that tradition. His evening service in D minor is his best known work, but he also wrote many other settings and anthems, of which *Remember, O Lord* is one of the most extended.

The text is taken from the Lamentations of Jeremiah and is particularly suitable for Lent. The opening section is for lower voices in four parts, then a short section for bass solo leads into a full passage at the words "The joy of our heart is ceased and our dance is turned into mourning". A soprano solo follows in which a tune reminiscent of Mozart is given an organ accompaniment more in keeping with a mid-Victorian piece, then the final section for full choir gives a more hopeful mood with the text "Thou, O Lord, remainest for ever, thy throne from generation to generation.

*Remember, O Lord, what is come upon us,*
*behold our reproach.*

*Our fathers have sinned, and are not,*
*and we have borne their iniquities.*

*The joy of our heart is ceased*
*and our dance is turned into mourning.*

*For this our heart is faint,*
*for these things our eyes are dim.*

*Thou, O Lord, remainest for ever,*
*thy throne from generation to generation.*